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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT TO AFGHANISTAN

I PLAN TO MAKE A BRIEF VISIT TO AFGHANISTAN ON AUGUST 8
ARRIVING FROM TEHRAN AT 12:20 P.M. LOCAL TIME AND
DEPARTING AT 5:00 P.M. FOR ISLAMABAD. PLEASE DELIVER
THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT DAOUD:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: YOUR SPECIAL ENVOY, MR. NAIM,
WAS MOST KIND DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON IN EX-
TENDING TO ME AN INVITATION TO VISIT KABUL. I WOULD LIKE
TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MY PRESENCE IN IRAN FOR A JOINT CO-
MISSION MEETING THERE TO MAKE A BRIEF STOP IN KABUL ON
AUGUST 8. BECAUSE OF OTHER PRESSING COMMITMENTS, I WOULD
HAVE TO DEPART LATE IN THE AFTERNOON OF THE SAME DAY FOR
ISLAMABAD, AND FROM THERE I WOULD BE FLYING ON TO LONDON
THE NEXT MORNING. IF THIS SHORT VISIT IS CONVENIENT TO
YOU, I VERY MUCH LOOK FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET
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YOU AND MR. NAIM AGAIN AND TO CONTINUE THE IMPORTANT

DIALOGUE ON BILATERAL ISSUES AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
WHICH WE BEGAN IN 1974. BEST REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER.
END QUOTE. ROBINSON

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